

REMARKS

Applicants hereby offer preliminary amendments to the present application to place the application in better form for allowance.

Applicants have canceled Claims 1-9 in favor of replacement Claims 10-18 to correct certain informalities (including avoidance of multiple dependencies) and to clarify the intended meaning of the claims. Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are fully supported in the specification.

Applicants have amended the specification to change the title to correspond to the English version of the title appearing on the International Application and to capitalize all letters in the title. Applicants submit that these amendments serve only to clarify their application and do not alter the scope of their disclosure.

Applicants have added an Abstract that summarizes the subject matter of their invention. A copy of the new Abstract is separately attached.

In view of the preceding amendments and remarks, allowance of the claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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ANNOTATED VERSION OF AMENDMENTS

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

The title at page 1, line 1, has been changed from "**A process for preparing 4,6-dichloropyrimidine**" to

-- **METHOD FOR PRODUCING 4,6-DICHLOROPYRIMIDINE** --

IN THE CLAIMS:

The heading for the claims at page 8, line 1, has been changed from "**Claims**" to --**WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:**--

Claims 1-9 have been canceled in favor of replacement Claims 10-18.

As explicitly set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.121(c)(1)(ii), an annotated version does not need to be supplied for an added claim or a canceled claim as long as it is stated that a particular claim has been added or canceled. Here, Claims 1-9 have been canceled and Claims 10-18 have been added.

IN THE ABSTRACT:

An Abstract has been added as new page 10 as follows:

--**METHOD FOR PRODUCING 4,6-DICHLOROPYRIMIDINE**
ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention relates to a process for preparing 4,6-dichloro-pyrimidine by reaction of 4-chloro-6-hydroxypyrimidine with an acid chloride.--